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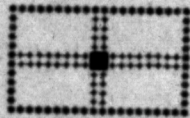
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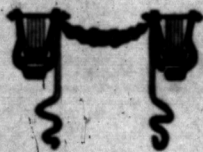
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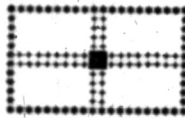
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## Proceedings.

Phalti Baptist Church, Mt. Olive, Miss., Oct. 8, 1911

The Jefferson Davis Baptist Association met today with Phalti Baptist Church, twelve miles North of Prentiss, Mississippi, in its third annual session at 10 o'clock A. M., the adjourned date having been changed from the 15th day of October.

Devotional exercises were conducted by Bro. Gardner, from Strong River Association, reading verses of the 6th Chapter of Ephesians; prayers by Brethren E. H. Walker and A. H. Dale.

The Moderator called the association to order and appointed N. S. Buckley, E. H. Walker and S. T. Hood committee on Finance.

On motion, H. C. Williamson and J. E. Barnett were appointed reading clerks of the associational letters.

The Moderator called for the church letters, and names of the messengers enrolled as follows, viz:

Antioch—J. A. Turnage, M. S. Parkman, J. H. Bullock and Fulton Sinclair.

Bethany—J. O. Buckley, P. Brandy, Theo. Weather and Jesse Chance.

Bassfield—B. N. Martin, P. C. Carter and Clyde Applewhite.

Carson—W. H. Izard.

Ebenezer—S. T. Hood.

Hebron—A. H. Dale, A. C. Berry, E. H. Walker, J. Johnston and R. Drummond.

Hepzibah—Henry Fortenberry, W. E. Fortenberry and I. E. Fortenberry.

Oakgrove—J. A. Bozeman and J. O. Sutton, Sr.

Prentiss—J. E. Barnett, Leon Tyrone, C. R. Dale and J. N. Sutton.

Society Hill—J. M. Fortenberry, N. S. Buckley, I. Upton, H. C. Williamson and W. D. Langston.

Phalti—J. I. Williams, J. H. Polk and L. D. Parish.

Victory—D.V.Colter.

Whitesand—G.J.Lee, C.V.Sutton, W.W.Dale, J.M. Bridges and D.W.Weathersby.

Petitionary called for—None presented.

On motion, the rules were suspended and the following officers elected by acclimation, viz:

A.H.Dale. Moderator, H.C.Williamson, Clerk, and Leon Tyrone, Treasurer,

By request of the moderator, Rev. J.O.Buckley led in a special prayer for the presence of the Holy Spirit during the session.

On motion further business of the Association was suspended to listen to the associational sermon. By request, the sermon was preached by Rev. T.W.Green, using as a text Luke 11-2 (Thy Kingdom Come).

Messengers present from other associations as follows:

Revs. T.W.Creen and R.W.Bryant from the Lebanon Association; L.S.Gardner, Charlie Walker and Joe Walker from Strong River Association, W.L.Gardner from Pearl Leaf Association.

On motion adjourned until 1-30 P.M.—Benediction by J.E.Barnett.

#### AFTERNOON SESSION.

After song service, W.W.Dale led in prayer.

The Association was announced in order for business.

On motion the following committees were appointed:

On Nominations—W.W.Dale, Henry Fortenberry and Theo.Weathersby.

On Apportionment—C.V.Sutton, A.C.Berry, S.S.Dale, Theo. Weathersby, W.H.Izard, J.A.Bozeman, I.E.Fortenberry, N.S.Buckley, J.H.Bullock, D.V.Coulter and S.T.Hood.

Brother W.W.Dale read the report on Denominational schools, and discussed by him, R.W.Bryant and T.W.Green. On motion was adopted as follows:

**DENOMINATIONAL SCHOOLS**—The Baptist denomination of to-day are becoming thoroughly convinced of the necessity of a Christian education, realizing the need of schools in which to educate our boys and girls.



in mind and heart. The Baptist denomination has built and endowed schools and colleges of our own. Mississippi College came into the hands of the Baptists of the state in 1850, and has been endowed with \$430,000 besides property. Under the wise leadership of J. W. Provine, a self-help club has been organized, making it possible for a poor boy to receive a college education. Mississippi Woman's College, our school for girls, is entering its fourth session. Under the leadership of Dr. J. L. Johnson, it has already reached an enrollment of 235 girls, the largest enrollment in the history of the College, educating our girls in mind and heart, to be leaders in all kinds of church work. Clarke Memorial College, a junior college for boys and girls, located at Newton, is doing a great work for boys and girls. Dr. R. A. Venerable, a noted Baptist scholar, has control of the college, as to the faculty and course of study. Industrial work is emphasized in these schools. The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, located at Louisville, Ky., and the Southwest Baptist Theological Seminary, our new seminary, located at Waco, Texas, are doing a great work in educating preachers and missionaries. We must make our colleges equal to the best, otherwise we shall lose our young people to other institutions. It isn't any use to us that we ought to patronize our denominational schools whether or not they are good. The state schools, and our public schools, are chiefly concerned about the sciences, and do not deal directly, or specifically with conscience. It is the business of Christian schools, not only to teach science, but what is better, to develop a strong conscience. The sciences are our servants, and conscience should become our master. A denominational college seeks to make conscience dominant, and to make it virile and aggressive. If the moral quality should be permanent, then a Christian school is a necessity. Science is in the right place when it produces a bigger man, and is subordinated to conscience. The things are to be well weighed, when you are considering

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the question as to which college you will choose for your boy or girl.

Respectfully, submitted,  
W.W.Dale. Com.

The report on Temperance was read by Rev. J.O Buckley, and spoken to by him and Leon Tyrone. On motion was adopted as follows:

A report on this subject would ordinarily include a discussion of temperance in all things. "be ye temperate in all things" is the scriptural injunction, but as is customary we will deal with only one phase of the subject viz: The Liquor Traffic:

The liquor Traffic is the demon of all ages since the flood; that has made his power felt in almost every nook and corner of the earth, bringing distruction, suffering, and death where ever his power has been felt. But in the face of all the districtive and deadly work of this mighty evil, and the unmistakable will of God concerning such a life, we still have in states open saloons, and the social dram drinker, and the drunkard; but the social dram drinker is more hurtful of the two, since nobody wants to wallow in the ditch, but let us remember, that the drunkards of to-day were the social drinkers of yesterday, and that the social drinkers of to-day will be the drunkards of tomorrow.

This evil according to facts and figures has been directly or indirectly the cause of more poverty, suffering and death than any other one evil or practices of men. In the face of these facts, what ought to be the attitude of every one who knows the evil wrought by this mighty power; Paul in making his defense before Felix, not only reasoned of righteousness judgement, but temperance as well. So strongly was the evils of strong drink manifest that an Old Testament writer said, "whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise.

We have watched with pride from year to year, the great fight of the prohibitionist, and have noted with pride victory after victory until we now have nineteen states dry as a whole, let us pray and work that ere

long every state so affected by this evil, may have been freed of this evil.

Respectfully submitted,  
J.O. Buckley.

The report on Ministerial Education was read by T.W. Green, and spoken to by J.E. Barnett, R.W. Leon Tyrone, W.W. Dale, T.W. Green and J.O. Buckley. On motion was adopted as follows:

#### MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

We find the word "Ministerial" to mean "Pertaining to minister or service" and the word "Minister" mean "A clergyman or pastor of a church authorized to preach", therefore Ministerial Education is education of the minister.

Ordinarily the word "Education" means the systematic training of the moral and intellectual faculties and while this intellectual training is necessary for ministers, greater is the necessity for the spiritual training. And when we say the necessity for spiritual training is greater than for the intellectual training of the minister; but the impression we do not mean to belittle the importance of the intellectual training of the minister, to accomplish the most for the Master's cause, in this present age, must necessarily, be a spiritual man with an educated heart and head.

We do not mean to say a man called of God to preach cannot do a good work because he has not a college education, for we have many instances of great and good men who have accomplished much for the advancement of God's work, but we must remember that the conditions were different and that they did not have the advantages of an education our preachers have now, demands are different now, This is the age of education, therefore, we, as a body of Baptists cannot afford to over-look, or under-estimate, the great importance of an educated Ministry; because the results to be obtained in all other branches of our church work are dependent, largely, upon the leadership of



preacher, and how can he lead unless he has preparation above that of these whom he is to lead.

Water does not rise above its level. If we want the water high we must have its level high. If we want the level of the church, in all of its relations, on a high plane, and God will not be pleased with any thing short of this, the level of the Ministry, spiritually and intellectually, must of necessity be on a high plane.

A minister may be all that could be expected spiritually, but if his intellectual powers are not developed and in thorough working order his usefulness will be reduced just to that extent.

We have colleges for this purpose. We have them in our state—Clark Memorial and Mississippi College. We need not stop here to tell about the men who have gone out from Mississippi College. Suffice it to know that they have made good and stand with the foremost, in and out of the state.

We recommend that this Association, and the churches of the Association, give this branch of the work the attention it deserves by urging all young ministers to educate themselves, and render all the assistance possible when and where necessary,

Respectfully submitted,

J.P. Dear, Com.

On motion, Bassfield Church was granted a letter of dismission from this Association.

The report on the Orphanage was read by J.O. Buckley, and was spoken to by him, T.W. Green, J.H. Johnson, C.R. Dale and J.E. Barnett. On motion was adopted as follows, with a cash offering of \$11.10.

The Baptist Orphanage of Mississippi, was first opened up by L.S. Foste in 1897 in a little rented cottage on Capitol Street. At that time they had three children. They took in about twenty children the first year. In March 1898 the orphanage was to its present location, on a tract of 112 acres of land that cost \$2,240; The property to-day is estimated to be worth \$130,000 including the improvements, deducting the first cost from this

amount, would leave \$108,000, increase in value since 1898, or in 17 years. From the humble start in 1898 L. S. Foster in a rented cottage on Capitol Street with three children, the institution has steadily grown to its present proportions. The government of the institution is by a board of 18 trustees; 6 of whom are elected each year by the Baptist State Convention, making a three year term for the trustee. There is also a Superintendent whose duty is to have the oversight of the management, together with such other help as is necessary. There is at present 236 children in the home, and it costs some where near \$1,200.00 per month to take care of them, feed and clothe them. And as the "home" is supported by voluntary contributions, the people must furnish the money for food and clothes. Then the children must be trained so that they may make good self supporting and useful citizens. This is the duty of the Supt. and matrons. In this "Home" the children are taught to work and be useful. They are also taught obedience and courtesy.

In an institution like this; system is indispensable; hence system is taught and observed. In addition to the Jackson property; the Orphanage owns at Florence Miss., valued at about \$8,000.00, where part of the larger boys are taught to farm and raise stock.

Taken altogether, we deem this cause a worthy one that should recommend its self to one and all, and which we should all contribute. At last but not least the "Home" is open at all times to all people for inspection without hinderence. No high yard walls" and barred doors", to keep the public out, for it belongs to the people and they have a right to see and to know how things are inside the institution.

In conclusion, let us rally to the support of the Orphanage.

Respectfully submitted,  
J. M. Polk.

On motion adjourned until tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock. Closing prayer by Rev. R. W. Bryant.

## SECOND DAY MORNING SESSION.

The Devotional exercises were conducted by Bro. J. O. Buckley. Prayers by J. E. Barnett and J. O. Buckley.

The Association was announced in order for business.

The report on the Baptist Hospital was read by Bro. H. D. Boothe, and discussed by C. R. Dale and R. W. Bryant.

On motion was adopted as follows:

## MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST HOSPITAL.

The Mississippi Baptist Hospital located at Jackson, Miss., is the property of the Baptist State Convention and is operated under the direction of a board of Trustees appointed by said Convention. It is open to both pay and benevolent patients, and is the only hospital open alike to all physicians and surgeons. It has a visiting staff composed of many of the leading practitioners of Jackson, to 1 o'clock after the benevolent work, while those who pay are required to select their own doctor.

The original building was an old residence, which, with the lot on which it stood was a gift from some of the leading physicians and surgeons in Jackson. The hospital began work in this building Jan. 1, 1911, and during the first four years more than 1,000 patients were cared for and there would have been many more but for lack of room.

The present building was opened for patients Dec. 1, 1914. This building is three stories high and will accommodate about fifty patients. It is constructed of brick and re-inforced concrete. It is both fireproof and sanitary, and is recognized as one of the best buildings of its kind (size considered) to be found in the South.

More than 400 patients have been treated in this building. Of this number, 82 were benevolent and 105 part benevolent patients. Of the whole number, 70 were children many of whom came from the different Orphanages located at Jackson. Ministers of different denominations have been cared for also, and members of their families.



## FINANCES.

In order to secure the immediate erection of the needed building the Trustees issued and sold \$30.00 worth of Bonds., giving as collateral the subscription made the hospital and all the hospital property. They borrowed \$5,000.00 more to help in buying equipment and furnishings. Thus it will be seen that we have a plant easily worth \$60,000.00, there is a cost of \$35,000.00 on it. This money is to be paid annually and must come from the subscription made and from further contributions.

By the exercise of rigid economy and good business sense and with the aid of contributions of linens and eatibles, the hospital has been able to meet running expenses and pay some on equipment notwithstanding the amount of benevolent work done.

## NEEDS

First; That the recommendations made at the convention namely that the hospital be listed as one of the regular objects for which offerings are to be made by the churches, and that the churches endeavor to raise \$10,000.00 for hospital work this year this to be divided equally between the hospital at Memphis and the one at Jackson.

Second; That all past pledges be redeemed and all others be redeemed as they fall due.

Third; Linens and eatibles are always acceptable and aid materially in doing benevolent work.

Fourth; The hospital doesn't want any one to get sick but inasmuch as they are and the hospital has proved its ability to care for them skillfully economically and is prepared to care for many more than formerly, it needs that we should recommend it to those needing such attention.

Fifth; Your prayers, that the work done there should be so done as to be glorifying to God.

The report on Missions was read by Bro. J. E. Barner and spoken to by him, C. V. Sutton and J. E. Byrd. A motion was adopted as follows, with a cash offering

\$11.10.

## REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Our foreign mission work is the effort on our part to carry out the last command of our Lord and Master, to go into all the world and make disciples of all nations. The challenge of the hour to all our churches is the present call of our Foreign Mission work. The conditions of the world to-day are giving tremendous emphasis to the fact that all men need a simple New Testament religion.

The non-Christian nations are awakening in a wonderful way and enquiring for the path of peace and the way of life. The doors are wide open. The people are more accessible than ever before. The harvest fields are ripe and we should now thrust in the sickle and reap on a scale that will far transcend anything in the past.

The Foreign Mission Board, located at Richmond, Va., composed of eighteen local members and eighteen state members representing each state, in co-operation with the Southern Baptist Convention, is conducting work in Italy, Brazil, Mexico, Argentina, China, Japan and Africa. In these fields the missionaries reported last year 383 churches with 819 out-stations, 33,584 church members, 442 Sunday Schools with 23,959 scholars and 8,833 students in mission schools, 384 of whom are in theological Seminaries and training schools preparing to preach the gospel to their own people. There are 300 missionaries on the fields, 20 of whom were sent out during the past year and a total of 651 native workers.

Notwithstanding difficult conditions on many of the fields caused by the European war and the injury to the work in Mexico from chaotic political conditions in that country, 5,190 baptisms were reported during the year.

The distressing financial conditions throughout the South created by the war in Europe caused a falling off in contributions to Foreign Missions last year.

Many of the churches made heroic and sacrificial effort but some of them were not able to keep up their contributions. This will make it more difficult for to maintain the work this year unless God's people meet the situation in a still more heroic spirit. The convention in Houston asked for an apportionment of \$624, for foreign missions this year, every dollar of it will be needed to carry on the work successfully. Our supreme task now should be the raising of the apportionment to a minimum in every association and every state. We should not for a moment think of anything less and must do more than this if possible.

We therefore recommend:

1. That we as an Association undertake to raise for foreign missions our full proportion of the above sum and that this amount be divided among the churches on an equitable basis; that we earnestly urge the churches to contribute the amount asked of them; that each church inaugurate a plan of systematic weekly or monthly giving and remitting for this cause so that the work may be taken care of and debt and interest payments may be avoided.

2. That each pastor in the Association appoint a committee in each church of which he is pastor to canvass the membership with a view to securing a subscription to the Foreign Mission Journal in every Baptist family within our bounds, so that our people may be more fully informed as to our world wide work.

Respectfully submitted,

J.E. Barnett.

The report on Laymen's work was read by Leon T. Rone, and spoken to him, C.V. Sutton, T.W. Green and J.E. Barnett.

On motion adopted as follows, viz:

#### LAYMEN'S MISSIONARY MOVEMENT.

This movement was born in prayer and had as its aim the helping to promote Foreign Missions, but it soon developed the whole mission work and made progress like no auxiliary work ever undertaken. The movement



ment not only got hold of the best interest of Baptist work, but soon spread to other denominational fields and autuated the dormant energies of the laymen of all evangelical denominations, but the inthusiam that characterized the work at first seems to have subsided as a church to church proposition, and centralized itself in the great Laymen's meeting that was held two years ago at Jackson and last year at Meridian. This meeting as centralized at the two places were the greatest gatherings ever held in the state of Mississippi for the bringing in of the Kingdom, is the belief of your committee. We respectfully urge that all who can attend the next meeting, which date and place has not yet been announced, as far as your committee is informed, as no Baptist who can make any arrangements whatever, can afford to miss this great spiritual uplift.

Respectfully submitted,

Leon Tyrone.

On motion adjourned until 1:15 P.M. Prayer by Bro. J.E. Byrd.

#### SECOND DAY AFTERNOON SESSION.

After song service, Bro. T.W. Green led in prayer.

The Association was announced in order for business.

Bro. C.R. Dale read the report on Publications, and spoken to by him, J.E. Barnett, Leon Tyrone and R.W. Bryant. On motion adopted as follows:

#### PUBLICATIONS.

I take it, that we are all agreed on the importance of the Bible in the home, regularly read and well studied.

I take it that we are all agreed on the importance of our encouraging and providing in our homes a sufficiency of good religious literature, such as Bibles, Testaments, good religious books, missionary tracts, missionary magazines, including of course the Foreign Mission Journal and the Home Field. I desire to stress in this report, the importance of our denominational paper. It is entitled to and it should have, the hearty support of the entire brotherhood. I say this because it is a most potent agency in stemming the tide of heresy. So far as

I know, without a single exception our Baptist are not only sound in the fundamental principles of the gospel, but they may be depended upon, to bravely and successfully meet every form of modern heresy. As a rule we are impressed with what they read. One of the surest ways to correct false views in the people is to induce them to take and read our denominational papers. The denominational paper is the agency that furnishes news first hand of the affairs of the Kingdom. Surely, it is worth while to know what is going on among the brethren, especially those in our own State. Our denominational paper is very largely a newsgather for the Baptists of Mississippi. No informed Baptist can get along successfully without news from the churches. It should be and it is a blessing to our souls to read every week about the on going work of the kingdom among our brethren in every part of the State. The denominational paper is the chief informant also about the work at large. In this day of multiplied and enlarged divisions of the work, it would be impossible for us to move intelligently and harmoniously without the aid of our denominational paper. Without doubt, the denominational paper has become indispensable to the success of our organized work. If this is true, surely the Baptist Record should have the immediate, our enthusiastic and our most loyal support.

I say this because the great need of the masses of our Baptist people to-day, is information. The things we have done as a denomination have been accomplished largely, as a result of "information". The schools and colleges we have founded, the Orphanages we have established, the hospitals we have purchased, the monuments of "information". The money we have given for ministerial education, for ministerial relief, for State, Home, and Foreign Missions is the fruit of "information". The reason that our institutions are no better maintained and the explanation of our meager contributions to all the enterprises fostered by our denomination is due, largely to a "lack of information".

mation". My observation has been, that opposition to our denominational schools and to mission work in foreign lands is due to a "lack of information". The denominational paper is indispensable as a medium of communication, and its effectiveness is in proportion to its circulation, I verily believe that it would pay a hundred fold, in denominational efficiency, if all of our pastors and all of our church leaders would lay aside every thing else for a while at least, and devote their time, their energy and their money too, if necessary, in order to place the Baptist Record in the home of every member of every church and of every association in all the State.

Respectfully submitted,

C.R.Dale.

On motion the Sunday School report was given a special hour tomorrow at 10 o'clock A.M.

The report on Nominations was read by Bro. W.W. Dale, and adopted as read.

We, your committee on Nominations beg leave to make the following report.

That C.V.Sutton be our messenger to Southern Baptist Convention, Leon Tyrone Alternate. We recommend that the churches make a contribution to defray the expenses of the messenger to the convention to be sent not later than April 1st 1916. We also recommend that the following brethren write reports on the following subjects to be read at the next session of this Association.

Missions—Foreign, C.R.Dale, Home, N.C.Stamps, State, N.C.Hutchins.

Denominational Schools—Fred Bass.

Publications—N.T.Polk.

Orphanage—J.C.Burkett.

Ministerial Education—W.W.Lee, Jr.

Church Discipline—J.O.Sutton, Sr.

Sustentation—S.T.Hood.

Temperance—(Rev.) R.Drummond.

Woman's work—J.T.Magee.



Laymen's work—Alonzo Warren.

Sunday Schools—J. H. Bullock.

Hospital—W. H. Izard.

We recommend that J. E. Barnett preach the  
ciational sermon, J. O. Buckley Alternate. We als  
ommend Leon Tyrone, C. R. Dale and N. C. Stamps  
mittee for the Laymen's Missionary Movement.  
committee also recommend that the next assoc  
meet with Ebenezer church on Friday Sept. 22nd  
at 10 o'clock A. M.

W. W. Dale.

J. H. Fortenberry, Com.

Theo. Weathersby.

On motion the report on Woman's work was postp  
until tomorrow afternoon.

The report on Apportionment was read by Br  
C. V. Sutton, and adopted as follows, viz:

We your Committee on Apportionments, urge  
churches to raise, if possible, the following amo  
for cause of missions during the next Associat  
year, viz:

Antioch.....	\$75.00
Bethany.....	100.00
Carson.....	30.00
Ebenezer.....	50.00
Hebron.....	300.00
Oakgrove.....	40.00
Hepzibah.....	65.00
Prentiss.....	550.00
Phalti.....	50.00
Society Hill.....	65.00
Victory.....	30 00
Whitesand.....	130.00

Respectfully submitted,

W. W. Dale, Chairman committee.

By request, Bro. J. E. Byrd made a very interest  
discussion on Sunday Schools.

On motion, the moderator appointed the follow  
as committee, Leon Tyrone, J. H. Johnston, C. V. Sutt

J.M.Fortenberry and H.C.Williamson, for the purpose of arranging for the permanent organization of a County Sunday School Convention.

Bro. Leon Tyrone read the Treasurer's report. On motion adopted as follows:

Report of Leon Tyrone, Treasurer, To the Jefferson Davis County Baptist Association, in session at Phalti Church, Oct. 8th, 1915.

#### Receipts.

Rec'd from Finance Com. Bassfield Oct. 1914	\$195 19
" " " "	1 50
" " J.W.Burrow, Clerk	2 50
March 10th 1915, from Society Hill Church	1 75
" 29th Hebron Church	5 00
Apr. 22nd, White Sand Church	2 50
27th " "	25
May 3d Bethany Church	5 00
4th Whitesand Church	50
May 12th Oak Grove Church	1 25
Recd from Finance Com. at Phalti, Oct. 8, 1915	151 77
Oct. 9, " Chairman Finance Com. (S.T.Hood)	2 00
Total Receipts	\$369 21

#### Disbursements:

To Baptist Orphanage	\$43 50
To J.W.Burrow, service as Clerk	20 00
To A.C.Berry for R.Drummond, S.B.C.	20 25
To Prentiss Headlight, minutes	50 00
J.B.Lawrence, Sec., for Aso. Missions	81 69
Total	\$215 44

Amt. on hand to be distributed, as ordered.....\$153 77

Respectfully submitted,

Leon Tyrone, Treasurer.

The report on Finance was read by brother E.H. Walker, on motion was adopted as follows:

We your committee on finance beg to make the following report: We have received from the churches

composing this association for the purposes for  
it was given, the following amounts:

Associational purposes.....	\$44 1
Home Mission.....	9 6
Foreign Mission.....	7 6
State Missions.....	78 4
Orphanage.....	11 8
Total.....	\$151 7

Respectfully submitted,

E. H. Walker,

N. S. Buckley,

S. T. Hood,

Committee.

On motion adjourned until tomorrow morning  
9:30.

Prayer by.....

### THIRD DAY. MORNING SESSION.

The devotional exercises were conducted by  
C. R. Dale, reading part of the 6th chapter of Ephesians.

Prayers by brothers Henry Fortenberry and  
Dale.

The association was announced in order for  
business.

Brother Ellis Buckley read the report on Sunday  
Schools, and was spoken to by him, G. V. Sutton,  
Dale and J. H. Johnston.

On motion report adopted as follows:

**SUNDAY SCHOOLS**—There is no organization  
connected with the church work that is doing as much  
towards developing our children into useful men and  
women and training them in christian service as the  
Sunday school. Our people are realizing as never before,  
that teaching is really a part of the great commission.

Less than a century and a half ago, the  
Sunday school was organized, and for sometime it was  
looked upon as a plan for poor children who had no one  
to teach them. But time in its flight has brought about  
a great reformation, and today we have 20,000,000 re-



enrolled in our Sunday School work; 30,417 teachers who have diplomas. We also have 12 A1 Sunday Schools in our State. Of this number one belongs to this Association.

Your committee wishes to commend the Sunday Schools of this Association for the noble work they have accomplished for the Master. Realizing that the Sunday school that is standing for the whole counsel of God, is a great asset to any church, recommends that the pastors cooperate with the faithful few in trying to get every church member would go to Sunday school and learn of his duty to God and his fellow man.

We observe that about half of our church members are not doing anything in the way of carrying out God's command. Your committee believes that the indifference with which the members look upon the church work is due largely to the fact that we do not know God's word.

There is no better place for usefulness and give them a knowledge of their duty and relationship to God than through the Sunday school. A real live Sunday school will create in men a desire to know more about the Bible and more of the Bible; also to give of their means and to be loyal and true to their neighbors.

We learn from our Superintendents that the fathers and mothers are not taking an active part in the Sunday school as they should. The children go, but when they grow older they drop out of Sunday school. This is because they have no special work to do and they want to be out where something is being done.

Your committee would recommend as a means by which the Sunday school may hold the young people; that the superintendent look well to the social side of their lives. Make the Sunday School room attractive; grade the school; employ trained teachers; give the boy something to do and him know that he has a special work to do that no one else can do for him; and you will not only win his soul, but you may win his life for

service.

Respectfully submitted,

E. C. Buckley.

On motion the report on Missions and Publications were given special hours for the Second Day's as follows, viz:

Missions at 10:30 A. M.

Publications at 1:30 P. M.

The report on Ministerial Relief was read by Mr. J. H. Johnston and discussed by him and on motion adopted as follows:

**MINISTERIAL RELIEF**—Our Ministerial Relief is red to is for the old worn out preachers. We are ing several preachers, and several widows of old ers. Last year we received \$2000.00, this will n bout \$7.00 per month for each one, that is a ver sum for one to live on.

They cannot live on this amount as they sho insist on all the churches in this Association to re er those old worn out preachers, and widows of preachers. They have spent their best days pre under many difficulties and without much pay.

We ask the pastors of all the churches in this ation to urge the churches to make a cheerful con tion this fall and winter—not later than Decemb they will need help this winter.

Brethren, let us keep this in our minds and make a good contribution for these old worn out p ers as they have worn their lives out in trying to people to Christ without much pay.

Respectfully submitted,

J. H. Johnson,

In the absence of no report on womans work subject was discussed by the following brethren, Barnett, C. R. Dale, J. O. Buckley, J. M. Fortenberry, Johnston, and R. B. Dale.

#### RESOLUTIONS.

Resolved that the Treasurer of this Association

authorized to pay over to H.C. Williamson the amount necessary to defray the expenses of this association and that he be authorized to forward any other amount of money in his possession to J.B. Lawrence, Secretary State Board.

On motion, resolved that the Clerk of this association have the minutes printed and distributed and that he be allowed \$15.00, for his service and that he draw on the Treasurer for the whole amount.

On motion, resolved that the thanks of this association be, and the same are hereby tendered to the members of this church, and to the good people of this community for the kind and hospitable manner in which they have entertained this association.

On motion, adjourned to meet with Ebenezer Baptist church, 14 miles South-east of Prentiss, on Friday before the Fourth Sunday in September, 1916, at 10 o'clock A.M.

Yesterday and to-days journal read and corrected.  
Closing prayers by Brother C.R. Dale.

A.H. Dale, Moderator

H.C. Williamson, Clerk.



COLLECTIONS BY CHURCHES AND SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

CHURCHES	Pastors Salary	Building and Repairs	Incidentals	Sunday S. Expenses	For the Poor	Minute Fund	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Orphanage	Ministerial Ed.	Ministerial Relief	Schools and Colleges	Hospital	Other Objects	Visiting Ministers	Value of Church Property
Antioch	225 00		\$2 45	\$10 78	\$4 10	5 00	\$17 81	\$19 05	\$19 10	\$17 58		\$6 10				\$41 30	\$800
Bethany	250 00	5 75		5 40		4 00	25 70	15 00	15 27			5 00					1000
Basfield	300 00		25 44	25 95		4 00	39 45	34 82	52 25	14 90	\$8 00	5 00	\$25 00	\$12 50		63 59	2000
Carson	75 00		1 35	13 00		1 50	18 00	12 00			7 50						750
Ebenezer	175 00	82 50		6 70		3 65	79 76	13 00	13 00	4 00							1250
Hebron	300 00		11 00	10 00	3 00	3 75	17 50	86 85	105 45	15 00	10 80	8 80		15 00	\$14 65		1000
Oak Grove	125 00					1 80	5 00	8 25	8 25								250
Phaltie	200 00			10 00		2 00	5 00	12 70	25 65								875
Phalt	150 00					1 20	4 00	5 70									800
Prentiss	200 00					5 00	138 25	145 90	229 75	115 00	10 00	20 00	125 00	75 00	88 07	30 00	8000
Society Hill	675 00	406 55	114 69	174 70	35 00	5 00	30 50	2 00	30 50							75 00	1200
Victory	200 00		1 70	8 50		1 50	30 50	4 05								14 88	750
White Sand	200 00		32 51	11 62	30 00	1 50							40 00			40 00	

Phalti	150 00	406 55	114 69	174 70	35 00	1 20	2 00	5 00	12 70	25 65	30 00	575
Prentiss	675 00	406 55	114 69	174 70	35 00	1 20	2 00	5 00	12 70	25 65	30 00	800
Society Hill	200 00	406 55	114 69	174 70	35 00	1 20	2 00	5 00	12 70	25 65	30 00	8000
Victory	100 00	406 55	114 69	174 70	35 00	1 20	2 00	5 00	12 70	25 65	30 00	1200
White Sand	200 00	406 55	114 69	174 70	35 00	1 20	2 00	5 00	12 70	25 65	30 00	750
												800

# DIRECTORY OF JEFFERSON DAVIS COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

CHURCHES	TIME OF MEETING	PASTORS AND POST OFFICE	CLERKS AND POST OFFICE	Ord.M.	Minute
Antioch	2nd & 4th Sundays	B W Bryant	J H Bullock	1	25
Bethany	3rd	J O Buckley	S C Stamp	1	40
Bassfield	4th	J L Lowe	D N Thompson	1	24
Carson	4th	J L Lowe	L B Nichols	1	1
Ebenezer	2nd	T D Cox	L B Thompson	1	1
Hebron	4th	T N A Edmonds	E H Walker	1	1
Oak Grove	1st	J E Drummonds	H T Griffith	1	1
Phaltie	2nd	J E Barquette	J J Speights	1	1
Phalti	3rd	J L Finley	W W Lee	1	1
Prentiss	1st & 3rd	J E Barnett	G M Buckley	1	1
Society Hill	1st	J O Buckley	J P Warren	1	1
Victory	3rd	J A Bryant	W S Boyanton	1	1
White Sand	2nd	J O Buckley	R1 Bassfield	1	1
			R1 Newhebron	1	1
			R3 Prentiss	1	1
			R3 Bassfield	1	1
			R1 Columbia	1	1
			R1 Newhebron	1	1
			R1 Hebron	1	1
			R1 Prentiss	1	1
			R1 Gulfport	1	1
			R1 Prentiss	1	1
			R1 Sanford	1	1
			R1 Prentiss	1	1
			R1 Hattiesburg, Miss	1	1
			R3, Prentiss	1	1
			R3, Ellisville	1	1

## SUNDAY SCHOOL DIRECTORY.

CHURCHES	SUPT. AND P. O.	SECRETARIES AND
Antioch	D H Bullock..... Prentiss Miss	Tassie Barnes..... P
Bethany	H C Stamps.....	W H Stamps.....
Bassfield	J P Dear..... Bassfield	Miss Cora Hudson.....
Carson	H O Murray..... Carson	Ollie McPhail.....
Ebenezer	E T Hood..... R1 Columbia	Miss Dixie Allen..... R1
Hebron	W C Hutchins, Newhebron	Conerly Quinn..... Ne
	J J Johnston.....	
Oak Grove	J M Nichols..... Silver Creek	Sussie Burroughs..... Silv
Phaltie	H D Booth..... Mt Olive	Roma Parrish.....
Phalti	B S Watts..... Airm	Gay Speights.....
Prentiss	Leon Tyrone..... Prentiss	Bartie Berry.....
Society Hill	H C Williamson..... Oakvale	D D Fortenberry.....
Victory	Alonzo M Warren, Basfield R1	Alonzo M Warren R1
White Sand	C V Sutton..... Prentiss	J L Nelson..... Ne

## STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES	Increase			Decrease			Sunday S		
	Baptized	By Letter	Restored	By Letter	Ex luded	Deaths	Membership	No. Schools	Officers & T.
*ANTIOCH	30	5	1	12	4		141	1	6
BETHANY	7	4		2		4	169	1	3
BASSFIELD	13	12		9		1	170	1	9
CARSON		12		4	1		71	1	6
EBENEZER	13	5		12		1	172	1	7
*HEBRON	6	2	1	6		2	249	2	8
OAK GROVE	2	6		3			58	1	6
PHALTIE				2			101	1	5
PHALTI	23	4	1	13			206	1	3
PRENTISS		5		2		1	210	1	16
SOCIETY HILL	9			7		3	251	1	5
VICTORY		1			1	2	74	1	7
WHITE SAND	4	6	1	3		1	207	1	6

(\*) Asked for next session of Association.

(C) Asked for letter of dismission.



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ARIES AND P. O.

..... Prentiss Miss  
 ..... Bassfield  
 ..... Carson  
 Allen... R1 Columbia  
 nn..... Newhebron  
 ough... Silver Creek  
 th..... Mt Olive  
 ts..... Oakvale  
 ..... Prentiss  
 berry... Oakvale  
 arren R1 Bassfield  
 ..... Newhebron

Sunday Schools

Officers & T.	Total Enrollment	Months Run	Baptisms	Church Membership to School
6	61	12	5	23
3	82	12	5	23
9	107	12	5	23
9	75	12	5	23
7	60	12	5	23
6	80	12	5	23
6	67	12	5	23
6	60	12	5	23
3	60	12	5	23
16	184	12	5	23
5	126	12	5	23
7	92	10	5	23
6	80	12	5	23

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